Setting up forest based and mineral based industries in Madhya Pradesh

3013. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
THAKUR JAGATPAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great scope for setting up forest based and mineral based industries in the tribal and backward districts of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) if so, what incentives are being provided to attract industrialists to these areas;

(c) whether package of steps and incentives are provided in the currnt five year plan for the same; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMEMNT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) Industrialisation of a particular area including survey of potential areas for setting up certain types of industries is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned. However, under the Central Investment Subsidy Scheme which has continued upto 30-9-1988, the Central Government has supplemented the efforts of the States by providing subsidies and incentives for setting up industries in industrially backward districts/areas. In addition they are eligible for income-tax concession, concessional finance, priority in the grant of industrial licences etc. The details of the backward districts/areas in Madhya Pradesh and the facilities available to them are given in the Booklet "Incentitives for Industries in Backward Areas" copies of which are available in Parliament Library.

Introduction of new sophisticated exploration technique with basaltic rocks

3014. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ONGC proposes to introduce a new sophisticated exploration technique in geological features with basaltic rocks;

(b) if so, what are the unique features of this technique;

(c) what has made to do away with existing exploration technique;

(d) whether the ONGC proposes to take several other measures to upgrade its exploration technology; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This technique called as Transient Electro-magnetic Technique (TEM) will be carried out shortly in the Saurashtra areas for getting informations about the rock sequence underlying the thick basaltic layers. In this technique, an Electromagnetic field is created by turning on and off a square wave current of several hundred amperes through a grounded wire source, about 2 Km. in length. The resulting secondary electromagnetic field is measured at a distance of about 5-20 Km. from the source. The collected data is computer-processed and interpreted to obtain the subsurface information.

(c) The existing exploration technique will also continue to be used for exploration.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) ONGC propose to conduct Gama Ray Spectrometric surveys and Synthetic Aperture Radar Survey (SAR) in selected areas Experimentaly Shear Wave Seismic survey is already initiated in Gujarat.

टिहरी बांध परियोजना का डिजाईन

3015. **श्री राम जेठमलानी** : क्या ऊर्जा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 15 नवम्बर, 1988 के टाइम्स आफ इंडिया

में "यू० एस० एस० आर० नोट कीन आन टिहरी प्रोजेक्ट" शीर्षक के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि विशेषज्ञों ने भी हाल ही में यह राय दी है कि टिहरी बांध परियोजना के डिजाइन को बदलना आवश्यक है ;

(ग) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(घ) उस पर सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है ?

ऊर्जा मंत्रालय में विद्युत विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्पनाथ राय) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) जी, नहीं ।

(ग) और (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Foreign collaborations for consumer industries

3016. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of industries which Government put in the category of consumer industries;

(b) how many foreign collaboration agreements have been sanctioned in these industries during the period from 1st April, 1985, till date; and

(c) in how many such deals foreign participation in equity, has also been permitted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The consumer goods industries cover a wide range of items both in the durable and non-durable sector. There is no specific list of industries maintained by the Government under this category for the purposes of foreign collaboration.

Government has approved 1024, 957 and 853 proposals for foreign collaboration during the years 1985, 1986 and 1987 respectively. Out of these 238 240 and 242 proposals involved equity participation by foreign companies in the years 1985, 1986 and 1987 respectively. The details of approved foreign collaborations showing the names of Indian and foreign firms, item of manufacture and nature of foreign collaboration are published on a monthly basis by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to its monthly news letter. Copies of this publication are sent regularly to Parliament Library.

Application of M|s. Garware Limited for grant of licence to manufacture polyester based X-ray film and Graphic Arts-film

3017. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1440 given in the Rajya Sabha on 21st November, 1988 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an expert committee was constituted in 1986 to study the claim of M|s. Garware that they had developed indigenous technology for the manufacture of polyester based X-ray film and Graphic Art film;

(b) if so, what were the terms of reference and who were the members of the Committee;

(c) what were the objections raised by the Hindustan Photo Films Limited against the findings of the Committee and whether Government have examined the committee's report in the light of Hindustan Photo Films objection, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) whether it is a fact that the application of M|s. Garware was rejected a number of times and also this year?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) Proposals for setting up Industrial Units are examined by Committees such as